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NTPC	Singrauli	Thermal	14,643	14,291	14,985
	Rihand	Thermal	6,868	6,476	7,622
	NCR Dadri	Thermal	1,545	2,568	4,439
	NTPC Uncha	Thermal	2,523	1,924	3,108
	Auriya GT	Thermal	3,438	3,577	3,510
	Dadri GT	Thermal	1,352	2,292	3,795
	Total	Thermal	30,369	31,128	37,459
NPC	Marora APS	Nuclear	334	950	2,751
NHPC	Tanakpur	Hydro	401	466	445
	Total (UP)	Thermal	44,937	46,740	55,262
		Nuclear	334	950	2,751
		Hydro	5,687	6,524	5,444
		Total	50,958	54,214	63,457

Improvement of Environment

3914.SHRI I.D. SWAMI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is drastic need to improve the environment in Delhi and to check atmospheric pollution and to provide large open green spaces as lungs for the citizens of the Capital;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether NDMC, DDA and CPWD have miserably failed in improving the environmental conditions in Delhi; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS: (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) In the Master Plan for Delhi-2001, an area of 8722 hac. has been earmarked as green inclusive of lands meant for parks, open spaces under recreational land uses, etc. Besides the following measures have been adopted in the Master Plan to improve the environment in Delhi:-
 - The Ridge to be conserved with care and afforested.
 - (ii) Strict enforcement of anti-water pollution measures to keep River Yamuna clean.
 - (iii) Development of hierarchy of recreational areas, open green spaces such as regional Parks, District Parks, Neighbourhood Parks, Play areas,

Sports Centres, Major Children Parks, Colony/housing scheme tot-lots/parks, etc.

- (iv) Re-plantation of substitute the tress that have completed full life-span.
- (v) Conservation of urban heritage.
- (vi) Specific recommendations for prevention and control of water, air and noise pollution.

In order to control vehicular pollution and improve the city environment, a rail-based Mass Rapid Transport System has been approved.

Trees and shrubs are also planted every year in various areas/localities by CPWD for improving the environmental conditions in the surrounding areas. Parks/ lawns in Government colonies are maintained by CPWD.

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.

Schemes for Urban Development in Kerala.

3915. SHRI N.N. KRISHNADAS Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

- (a) the details of the schemes for urban development in Kerala; and
- (b) the allocation made in this regard to the State for the current financial year ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) The schemes taken up for urban development in Kerala, which are

supported by the Government of India, include Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns (IDSMT) and Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme (AUWSP). IDSMT aims at the development of integrated infrastructure in selected regional centres capable of generating economic growth and employment opportunities. The projects approved under IDSMT include the strengthening/upgradation of Master Plan roads and drains, sites and services, shopping complexes, bus terminals, Master Plan street lighting, solid waste management, etc. The Scheme applies to towns with population upto 5 lakhs. AUWSP aims at the creation of water supply facilities in towns with population less than 20,000. The details of towns taken up under IDSMT and AUWSP during the 8th Plan are given in the Statement enclosed.

(b) The allocation (grant) made for Kerala for the current financial year is Rs. 25 lakhs under IDSMT. No specific allocation is made under AUWSP as release will depend on project reports received.

Statement

Towns in Kerala covered under IDSMT Scheme and AUWSP during VIII Plan, Approved Project Cost and Central Assistance Released

A: IDSM1 Sche	(Rs. in Lacs)	
S. Name of No. Town	Year of Approval	Approved Project Cost	Central Assistance Released
1. Alappuzha	1992-93	890.60	25.00
2. Kollam	1993-94	880.60	40.00
3. Cherthala	1994-95	166.00	13.00
4. Aluva	-do-	170.60	30.50
5. Thiruvalla	-do-	500.00	60.00
6. Chalaku d y	-do-	216.00	15.00
7. Kozhikode	1995-96	947.00	62.00
8. Chenganur	- d o-	185.00	18.00
9. Varkala	-do-	194.50	15.59
		Total:	279.09
B: AUWSP			
1. Paniyannur	1993-94	233.72	124.83*
2. Pudukkad	1996-97	137.10	124.03

^{*} This is a consolidated amount released to the State Government for implementing the approved schemes in both these towns.

Threat Posed by Taliban

3916. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Taliban has its eyes on Kashmir now, fear analysts" appearing in the 'Indian Express', New Delhi dated February 19, 1997:
 - (b) if so, the facts thereof; and
 - (c) the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN): (a) to (c) Yes Sir. The Government continues to follow the developments in Afghanistan closely, and evaluate their implications for us. Continuous vigil is being maintained and all necessary steps to safeguard the country's security are being taken.

Legislation for Tribal Lands

3917.SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of RURAL AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have called upon the State Governments to enact legislation for preventing alienation of tribal lands;
- (b) whether Government have also urged the State Governments to indicate the latest position of alienation and restoration of tribal land to enable the Government to monitor it at the national level;
- (c) if so, whether all the States Governments have submitted their information to the Union Government; and
- (d) the time by which the States would indicate alienation of Tribal Land Act?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOY-MENT (SHRI KINJARAPPU YERRANNAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) Yes, Sir. The latest request sent to the State Governments was in the month of November, 1996 and only 11 State Governments submitted latest position of alienation and restoration of tribal land in the format prescribed for monitoring the same by this Ministry at the National level.
- (c) and (d) All States have never submitted the information on the subject and some States do not keep such Information as they do not have any separate Act or even any provision in the existing Land Reforms Act to prevent alienation and restoration of tribal land.

Rental Tariff

3918.SHRI SANDIPAN THORAT : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :